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Document profile 30 preferably includes any number of attribute fields to suitably identify/define associated document content 20. Like other document management systems, a unique document identifier/number is preferably generated by the document management system of the present invention. Unlike other document management systems, however, the unique document identifier comprises a numeric portion 410 (see Figure [[5]] 7) generated by the document management system of the present invention and one or more information portions 420 (for example, prefix(es) and/or suffix(es)) that assist in identifying documents by providing information about the document. For example, a preferably unique document identifier prefix may comprise a user's initials (typically entered at log on - for example, John J. Doe would enter "JJD"). The document identifier will thus comprise the user's initials followed by, for example, a number unique for that individual (preferably, a sequential number generated by the document management system starting, for example, with the number one). For example, the first document as created by John J. Doe would have the document identifier jjd1. The document identifier preferably appears in a document identifier/number field 405 on document profile screen 400. A user may, for example, be required to enter the user's

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